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SUBJ: INDO-PAKISTAN RELATIONS

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1. INDO-PAK RELATIONS ARE REPRESENTED IN A LESS SATISFIED
VEIN AT THE PAKISTAN MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS THAN THEY
ARE AT MEA, NEW DELHI (REFTEL). DIRECTOR GENERAL (SOUTH ASIA)
ABDUL SATTAR TOLD POL COUNSELOR AND VISITING KABUL DCM LAST WEEK
THAT INDIANS HAD NOT DELIVERED ON THEIR PROMISE TO SEND GOP A
SUGGESTED TEXT TO DOCUMENT THE INFORMAL AGREEMENT REACHED IN
ISLAMABAD LAST MONTH ON BROADCAST OF HOSTILE PROPAGANDA OF
THIRD COUNTRY ORIGIN AND CHARGED THAT ALL-INDIA RADIO CONTINUED
TO QUOTE ANTI-PAK ALLEGATIONS IT HAD PICKED UP FROM KABUL
NEWCASTS. THESE CHARGES HAVE NOW BEEN PASSED TO THE PRESS,
WHICH YESTERDAY QUOTED OFFICIAL CIRCLES IN ISLAMABAD TO
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EFFECT THAT "SUCH PRACTICE NOT ONLY VIOLATES THE PROVISIONS

OF THE SIMLA AGREEMENT, BUT ALSO VITIATES THE ATMOSPHERE FOR FURTHER PROGRESS TOWARDS THE NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES". (DAWN VERSION). SAME STORY MAINTAINS THAT RADIO PAKISTAN HAS "HONORED THE UNDERSTANDING VERY STRICTLY". WE ANTICIPATE THAT SATTAR AND OTHERS WILL MENTION THE ALLEGATION WHEN THEY DISCUSS INDO-PAK RELATIONS WITH THE SOVIETS.

2. SAME GOP-INSPIRED PRESS REPORT ALSO MENTIONS THAT PAKISTAN AND INDIA ARE LIKELY TO HOLD CONFERENCES ON TRADE AND CIVIL

AVIATION NEXT MONTH AND SAYS THAT DATES ARE BEING FINALIZED. WE EXPECT THAT ONCE MINISTER OF STATE AZIZ AHMED HAS HAD A CHANCE TO FOCUS ON THE CIVIL AVIATION PROBLEM (ISLAMABAD 9608) THE DATE FOR THOSE TALKS COULD BE SPEEDILY AGREED UPON, AND THE TRADE TALK SCHEDULING WOULD ALSO THEN PROCEED. AHMED RETURNED TO PAKISTAN OCTOBER 22, JOINING MOSCOW-BOUND DELEGATION HEADED BY PM IN KARACHI, AND WILL NOT BE BACK IN ISLAMABAD UNTIL OCTOBER 27, WHEN MUCH OF HIS TIME WILL DOUBTLESS BE TAKEN UP IN PREPARATIONS FOR THE SECRETARY'S VISIT.
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